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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2002, Applicant submits the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully traverse and request reconsideration.

In the instant case, the claims as originally filed were examined and a detailed action evaluating all of the claims was mailed on September 7, 2001. Applicant responded with a suitable reply to the Office Action (dated December 7, 2001). After an initial examination has occurred and Applicant has suitably responded, the same Examiner subsequently issued a Restriction Requirement. Applicant respectfully submits that any restriction requirement should have been presented prior to examination of the pending claims. Moreover, the Restriction Requirement attempts to withdraw Applicant's previous arguments. Applicant respectfully requests a showing as to the basis for the Examiner's authority to *sua sponte* withdraw Applicant's arguments that were timely filed in response to a properly issued Office Action.



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